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HONGKONG, 30TH DECEMBER, 1903

It seems very likely that among the questions to be settled in 1904 is that of the future predominance of outside influence in | Tibet; or at least, if it is not settled next year, a g con step towards settlemen is probable. Hi'b o, since the days or the eighteenth century, when Tibet was itself a aution fairly able to hold its own with its neighbours, China has been the one dominant) influence; and so far did China encourage the natural exclusiveness of the Tibetans that no other nation ever succeeded in getinfluence might remain. Of late years, Police Station. They come down from the hills there is no doubt, Russia, through the at night and devastate the hen-roosts. medium of some of her Buriat subjects, Buddhists of the same school as the Tibetans has been making attempts to gain the footing previously denied. Perhaps reports in the. British Press have rather exaggerated Russia's doings, but that they were not entirely groundless is plain from the admissions in the Russian papers. The latter have, in their turn, accused Britain of intriguing in Tibet, but the manner in which up to the present year we have allowed China and Tibet to ignore their promises to provide to hear several cases. These were of an increased trade facilities across the Sikkim- unimportant nature and did not occupy much Tibetan frontier should be a sufficient answer. Lord Curzon, however, has this

has been crossed yet, and it is only on the 15th inst. Singapore is rich in links. intended to advance to Gyangtse, Lhassa miles | from itself, unless the attitude of the Tibe- party from H.M.S. Sirius got the fire under tans renders further procedure necessary. China appears perfectly inert in the matter. As for Russia, rumours are many, including even an absurd tale of Russian engineers fortifying Lhassa, but beyond the bluster of the S. Petersburg Press little is heard about the opinion in the Tsar's Empire of the

British expedition.

The first British attempt to open commercial communications between India and Tibet is 130 years old. The idea was that] of Warren Hastings, and he began to have been dismissed the service, says the attempt to carry it out in 1774. As was Singapore Free Press, but no reason is given but natural in those days of slow communi- for this action. cations and in a land even then intensely exclusive, negotiations and offerts went on Christmas-tree party for the children of the for years. Hastings left India in 1785, members of the police force and their friends and his successors, less far-sighted than he unsuccessful war of the Nepalese against by the Masonic Quadrille Club, takes place at Korca, with the exception of that for Shanghai, was, abandoned the task. Even during the Tibet and China in 1792, Britain did not intervene, which she might well have done with profit. Nearly another century passed before, in 1884, again a quarrel between Nepal and Tibet called attention to the question. . In the interval it is true that (small quantities of goods filtered into Tibet) from India and vice-versa; and a few Indian natives, who had been trained by the Indian Tibet disguised as merchants. Even in lish and Chinese Diary for 1904. It contains earlier than has been the practice hitherto. 1885 a proposed British exploring expedition was totally defeated by the bandy diary for business men, passive resistance of the Lamas, backed secretly by Peking; but, on Britain consenting to withdraw the mission, China signed an agreement at Peking in 1886, whereby she promised, "after careful while driving a friend to the railway-station. enquiry into the circumstances, to adopt measures to exhort and encourage the people" [of Tibet] "with a view to the promotion and development of trade." The Lames, however, were excited by the British withdrawal and made the restrictions on trade greater than ever and even occupied posts in . Sikkim, in consequence of which a military force was despatched against them from India in the Press that the Treasury is now supplied with a spring of 1888. But a pause was soon I made, to await Chinese mediation. This. was so long in coming that in Sep tember of the same year the Tibetans were attacked and driven to Chumbi, a name which we often hear now. A Chinese emissary thereupon promised speedy opening negotiations. The ultimate result of these was the Tibet-Sikkim convention of 1890, All letters for publication should be written on by which the British protectorate over Sikkim was definitely recognised, while the question of providing increased facilities for trade across the frontier was to be hereafter discussed, as also was that of the method in which official communications between India and Tibet should be conducted. In spite of this treaty, however, no steps whatever were taken by the authorities in Tibet with regard to increasing trade facilities, and another convention in 1893 proved equally ineffective. Ten years have passed, and Indian trade is barred out as closely as ever. It cannot be said that the Indian Governcall it by a harder name. But now it has gave up his right of succession to the Duchy of LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C. been decided that Tibet and the vague influ- Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, after the suicide of the ence of China behind must be brought to young heir some years ago. reason, and that no more excuses and passivity shall be allowed to prevent the carrying out of promises, some of them really seventeen years old. The course is the only dignified one possible. Hitherto the Indian Government has but succeeded in making all ridiculous in the eyes of the Lamas.

> The German mail of the 25th November was delivered in London on the 28th inst.

Hongkong policemen will be interested to hear that according to Lloyd's Weekly, the London police are to get an increase of 3/- a week.

On the Praya East vehicle traffic is now impossible owing to the P. W. D. operations in heightening the level of the road. Rickshas, etc., have to go round by Morrison Hill.

Inspector A. C. Lingley sends us an invitation to a smoking concert to be given by the Police Force at Taimsbataui Station, Kowleon, on New Year's Eve, commencing at 7,30.

Notwithstanding the vacation in the Supreme Court, Mr. Justice Wise sat yesterday

on Tibetan soil. Operations have not so name "tansan" in 1898. From the context it to the other, "The inspector's right new, Bill, and Meleor, 22 min. 50 secs.; Payne, 28 min. far been of a very active or arduous nature. might have been guessed that this should read but I'll knock your adjectived nose off to-The inhabitants indeed have been passive in 1893."

rather than hostile. The Jelep Pass [alone | A new golf course was opened at Singapore |

On the 20th inst. 48 shops were burnt in a serious conflagration at Shanghai. A fatigue.

The success of Mr. W. A. G. Tilleke's stable at the Bangkok Races continued on the second day, the 10th inst., when 4 wins out of 7 fell.

The Kobe match-merchants are preparing a Philippines, who is now en route to Japan and the United States.

Four European police constables at Singapore

Captain Lyons, C.P.S., has inaugurated to take place on the 31st inst.

Ferry will leave for Kowloon at 1 c.m.

It is said of the Bishop of Oxford that, when advised to take a motor-car trip during his, last summer holidays, he replied that he could not do that as he did not understand the mechanism and had no desire to be a "bishop in partibus!"

We have received from Messrs. Kelly and Walsh an advance copy of their Imperial Eng. The time of beginning work now is half-an-hour a great deal of useful information and is a very

Through the negligence of the coolies in heaping up the stones piled ready for road repairs, in Rangoon, Mr. G. G. B. Van Someren, Barrister-at-law, met with a fatal accident,

The new White Star steamer Baltic, launches on 23rd November at Belfast, easily takes first place as the largest vessel in the world. Her, ength is 725ft, Sins., breadth 75ft., depth 49ft., and gross tonnage 24,000. There will be accommodation for 3,000 passengers.

The Treasury in Penang is evidently doing all it can to facilitate currency matters. The Assistant Treasurer courteously informs the quantity of currency notes of \$5 denomination, which will be issued in exchange for British and Mexican dollars, to bond-fide traders who wish to export currency to places with which Penang has a cash trade. The dollars will be issued in multiples of \$100.

There has just been issued from the office of the Hongkong Daily Press the Directory of Protestant Missionaries in Chino, Japan, and Corea for the year 1904. All the various missions are put under their respective headi gs, showing the members of them, and in addition there is an alphabetical list of the name, so that reference is easy. The Directory is enclosed in blue paper covers; it will be incorporated in the Daily Press Chronicle and Directory when that is ready for publication.

Closely following on the marriage of Princess comes the announcement of the betrothal of her in favour of the Duke of Albany, brother of as we are able to judge out here, continues as ment has not shown patience; others might Princess Alice, that the Duke of Consanght sound as ever.

> The following is from the Daily Express :-Mr. Norman Mackenzie, of the Church Missionary Society, describing his experiences in connection with the dreadful famine in the Kwangsi, a province of Southern China, says: _"The distress was certainly more acute here than in any place visited subsequently. It was here where human flesh, usually that of executed criminals, was sold in open market. Women. and girls were sold by the hundred, and taken to Canton and elsewhere, until it was estimated that some 10,000 or more had been sold."

anything else.

A Hongkong police inspector tells a good story about an incident that happened Christmas. Two blue-jackets got to words and chose the public street as the venue on which the quarrel should be settled by fisticusts. Just as the would-be combatants were about to begin ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB. fighting the inspector came on the scene and used his well-known persuasive eloquence to prevent trouble. Taking the men each in turn he told them it would be foolish to fight at case at Singapore yesterday, we were made, by Christmas time. After talking then over, the Handicap-Vernon, Elspeth, and Dione, scratch; insistance on the fulfilment of engagements, an obvious printer's error, to state that the water inspector got the sailors to shake hands with Ailcen, 3 min; Alannah, 8 min; One-Design, 13 the outcome of which is the expedition now was first introduced into Singapore under the each other. As they did so, one of them said min. 20 secs.; Iris, Gloria, 20 min; Chanticleer

The Royal Artillery propose to give a dance on the 19th January next.

On the recommendation of the Principal Medical Officer of the Bengal Presidency, an experiment to be made at Dum Dum in destroying the larve of mesquitees by keresene oil has been sanctioned.

Chinese property-owners in Selangor are said to have been badly hit by the recent depression of the tin-market. They are resorting to mortgages on all sides, and the next Chineso grand reception for ex-Governor Taft of the New Year is expected to be ushered in with very gloomy prospects.

> A performance was given in Tokyo in Christmas week of two short plays, Petticoat Porfidy and A Pantomime Reheareat. Sir Claude MacDonald was the chief organiser, and the proceeds were given to the Union Jack Club against the Empress of India. in London, a club open to all soldiers, sailors, or marines on leave or adrift.

Mr. J. S. Thomson, acting local agent for the Pacific Mail Steamship Co., writes to us to The fourth dance of the season, to be given explain that there is no delay to the mail by the the Musonic Hall, Ice House Street, on as the Rorca, being a 21-knot vessel, is quite able Saturday evening, the 2nd prox. The Star to make up one day's delay caused by waiting for the U.S. Secretary of War.

> Government hours in Colombo a little. We read in the Times of Ceylon :-- We understand that H.E. the Governor has sent an order to the Becretariat fixing the hours of work of the Government clerks from 10 a.m. to 4,30 p.m. of the daily attendance.

It may be of interest to the gentleman who are responsible for the project of running a turbine steamer between here and Canton to know that the new turbine passenger steamer Brighton established a record recently when she succeeded in passing the pierhead at Dieppe 2hrs. 59mins, after leaving Newhaven piers, a distance of sixty-four knots, or seventy-five

Dr. Albers, of Schoenberg, has discovered that rabbits subjected to the action of X-rays become useless for breeding purposes. The doctor thinks that herein may lie the solution of the rabbit difficulty in Australia, and in an elaborate pamphlet has invited his medical brethren to continue the investigation with this object. One less learned than the doctor, suggests the Express, might imagine that the Australians would prefer to kill the rabbits when caught.

It is always interesting to compare other people's idea about our Government with our own. We read in the Manila Sunday Sun:-"The zenate favours the treaty recently signed to the Far East, said that there was nothing to by the Chinese Government which concedes justify any reliance on slarmist reports of the special privileges to American traders in the Celestial Empire. Only a few more months of inactivity on the part of the state Department and any commercial treaty with China will be absolutely worthless if the Powers in favour of dismemberment are allowed to proceed as Russia has in Manchuria. France in the south is watching the Kwangsi rebellion, waiting to pounce upon that unprotected province at the Alice of Battenberg to Prince Nicolas of Greece, slightest pretext, while the Germans and English are both playing a desperate game to consin, Princess Alice of Albany, to Prince obtain control of the Yangtsze valley." Yet Alexander of Teck, brother of the Princess of | we cannot see a trace of activity, much less Wales. The marriage is to take place in the "desperate play," on the part of our Government early spring. It will be remembered that it was in the Yangtsze region. The long sleep, as far

The Japan Mail deals thus with the latest re-hash in the Daily Mail of the "Emily-Brown-'alias-Lady-Om-Empress-of-Corea" story, earlier version of which we alluded to a few mouths ago :-This is a splendid mass confused nonsense, much better fitted for the pages of the Arabian Nights than for the columns of a London journal. Who was the original romancer, we wonder. The Lady Om is undoubtedly a real person, but that her name means "the dawn of the morning" is just about as true as her identity with "Emily Brown." It is also true that the Lady Om ought to be the Emperor's wife for the same reason that Dame Marjory ought to have been Simon's, but 17th inst. Li Chen Cheong, a large dealer in the whole tale of the coronation is the purest of miscellaneous goods, opened his safe, to obtain ton, the last surviving daughter of John Peel, inventions. We suspect, however, that Lady some money to niest some payments he had to the famous huntsman and here of the well. Om is not the only spark from which this make, when he discovered that the safe had been known hunting song, "D'ye ken John Peel?" sensational smoke has ascended. There is a opened, and \$4,500 extracted. Information was dwindled greatly, though her traditional neighbourhood of Lokmachow, near Lantin has died at Greenwig, Calderbeck, at the age of story current about a Russian lady in Seoul, immediately given to the police, and detectives neighbourhood of Lokmachow, near Lantin has died at Greenwig, Calderbeck, at the age of story current about a Russian lady in Seoul, immediately given to the police, and detectives neighbourhood of Lokmachow, near Lantin has died at Greenwig, Calderbeck, at the age of barrier and having the land having There is still a nephew of John Peel alive, of been an intimate friend of the late Queen, still their investigations, one Li Chap Chung, a has access to the Palace, and is often consulted clerk in the employ of Li Chen Cheong, and Scotland. By the way, John Peel's horn by the Emperor, though it need scarcely be who sleeps in the shop, was found in possession commemorated in song is now in possession of said that she has no Dame-Marjory aspirations, of a key that opens the safe. In consequence the M. P. for Lancaster. It is a battered old Perhaps the American idealist who manu of this discovery Li Chap Cheong was arrested, brass call more like a policeman's whistle than factured the "Emily-Brown" story, rolled Om and yesterday placed before Mr. T. Sercombe and the Russian lady into one and supplemented the compound with the former's aspirations to of the arrest had been taken, the case was be raised to the position of an honest woman at the time when the Emperor hopes to celebrate his jubilee, whenever that may be.

The race for the Commodore's Cups will be sailed on Friday, the 1st January, starting at 11 a.m. Course, Mah-wan island (starboard).

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

THE "EMPRESS OF INDIA" COLLISION CASE.

SHANGHAI, December 29th, 5.50. p.m.

THE VERDICT.

The Empress of India has been found Judgment has been given solely culpable. in favour of the Wong Tai, with costs

TWO BIG CRUISERS SOLD.

LONDON, 29th December, 12 a.m.

WHO IS THE PURCHASER?

The cruisers building at Genoa for the Sir Henry Blake seems to be reforming Argentine Republic, the Moreno and Rivedavia, both 20-knot boats, of 7,700 tons,

have been sold for £1,500,000.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

RUSSIA IN MANCHURIA. London, 27th December.

The Russian Press is showing slarm at the increasing numbers and activity of bands of Hunhuses in Manchuria. The bands, which are well armed, overrun the country and terrorise and pillage the inhabitants. The Russian troops are undergoing great hardships and suffering considerable less in endeavouring to keep the bands in cheque [? check].

The reorganisation of the Chinese army is causing considerable concern in Governmental circles in S. Petersburg, where it is viewed as a sign of distrust in Russia.

GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

LONDON, 27th December. M. Delcassé, speaking in the Senate, said that France and Great Britain being mutually complementary to each other, conciliation was always possible.

THE SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST.

LONDON, 27th December. M. Delcassé in the French Senate, referring possibility of war (between Russia and Japan) resulting in a treaty leaving neutrals no trade advantages in Corea and Manchuria.

The United States are pressing Corea to open Wija, and China to open Antung and

Moukden. In view of the situation in the Orient, the United States Asiatic Squadron, now at Honolulu, will start on its roturn to Cavite on Tuesday.

LICENSING SESSIONS.

The Justices of the Peace assembled yesterday afternoon at 2.15 o'clock, at the Magistracy, to consider the application of James D. M. Cameron for the transfer of his Publican's Licence to sell liquors on the premises known as the Occidental Hotel, Nos. 40 to 44, Elgin Read, Kowloun, to one Rudolf Matthaey. . The applicant was represented by Mr. Grist, of the firm of Wilkinson and Grist, solicitors.

The justices present were Mr. T. Sercombe Smith, presiding, Captain Lyons, C. S. P., and Messrs. J. H. Kemp and C. A. D. Melbourne. There being no police or other objections to the transfer applied for, the application was granted unanimously. There being no other business before the meeting the sessions were then adjourned.

EXTENSIVE ROBBERY.

On entering his shop on the morning of the remanded, on the application of Mr. Holmes, selicitor, who has been retained in the case for the defence.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report: the 29th at 11.30a. The barometer has fallen much at Vladiwostock, risen quickly over N. China.

China Sea.

The depression lying over Manchuria yester-day has moved Eastwards into the N. part of the Sea of Japan. A high pressure area lies over Central China. Strong monsoon in the Formosa Channel and

SUDDEN DEATH AT THE SAILORS' HOME.

On Sunday night another sudden death took place, the deceased being a British sailor, named John Wilson, who had lately been discharged from the British sailing vessel Glen Doon. It appears that the man went to the Sailors' Home at West Point, on the 5th inst., and had been staying there since, drinking heavily meanwhile. On Saturday night last he returned to the Home about 10 o'clock, atterly inebriated, and was seen to bed by the watchman. The next morning, between 5 and 6 o'clock, he was found dead in his bed. A post-mortem held later in the day by Dr. Hunter, at the mortuary. revealed the fact that the cause of death was atcoholism. Deceased was 42 years of age, and believed to be unmarried.

THE TAIKOO SPORTS.

Full preparations have been made for the Taikco sports to be held on the 1st January, 1904. An energetic committee have been assisting Mr. W. M. Scott, the chairman, and Mr. R. H. Stephenson, the secretary, in making arrange ments for the event, and it is anticipated that the sports will surpass any that have been held yet under Taikoo auspices. About 700 invitations have been sent out by the committee. The ground is in excellent condition. All the events have filled well, especially the eyeling. On the whole the cycle-racing should be better than anything seen in Hongkong so far. McKirdy, of course, is favoured for the five-miles and twomiles, but he has formidable rivals to compete against in Austen and Merican, not to mention L. Twoomey, who will also race, we understand. Palmer and Forbes are reported to be going strong; Sinclair is also showing good form. Of the others, it may be said they have not done a great deal of training, always excepting Holmes. It is rather a pity that that well-known figure on the racing track, J. M. Bailey, is not competing this year; he rides plackily and is always a dangerous opponent to meet. In the flat racing Kinnaird is being backed for first place in the 1 and 1 miles. J. Watson has been "off colour," but doubtless he will too the line when time is called. A good race between Kinnsird and Watson will be worth seeing; the old Clydesdale Harriers man if in "going" form should put up a pretty race. Cyclists who have been training on the track speak well of its condition. It has just undergone repairs, A grand stand has been erected, capable of accommodating 300 people. The 100 yards race will be run as usual, across the grass course, which is in fine condition. There will be a bar at which light refreshments can be obtained, and, indeed, under the supervision of Mr. Stephenson every provision possible has been made for the comfort of the guests. Of course the handienps have not yet come to light, but there is little doubt that the awards of the handicappers will be received with as much salisfaction as the award of any handicapper ever was. The handicappers are Messrs, T. Grimshaw, F. W. White, A. McKirdy, J. Gloyn and T. Meek.

GLUB LUSITANO.

EXTENSIVE IMPROVEMENTS. The Club Lusitano, one of the pioneer clubs o the Colony, is undergoing extensive improvements, which, necessitating a heavy outlay, must indicate prosperity. The club, ever since the days of Governor Coelho d'Amaral of Macao, who laid the foundation stone of the building, has always been of good standing. Porhaps, though, it was never so flourishing financially as at the present time. A few years ago, the building covered more ground than it does now, a portion of the property—the theatre—being sold when the concern was turned into a limited company. Under the new arrangements there are two billiard-rooms, one on either hand as one enters the hall; two tables are in each room. At the back on the right is the library, and on the left the har. The whole flooring downstairs has just been tiled in handsome design, replacing planking; up-stairs, on the first floor, is a spacious ballroom, the windows facing Shelley Street. A noteworthy feature here is a large oil painting of to King of Portugal. Other decorations,

fair view of the harbour. NOTES FROM CHINA-TOWN...

though simple in themselves, are displayed with

great taste. By erecting a stage in the ball-

room it becomes a good hall for amateur

theatricals; ordinarily the chamber is used as a

sitting-room. The dining-room, also on the

first floor, looks on to Elgin Terrace, there is a

green-room on the opposite side, also to the rear

of the ball-room. Second and third floors are

used for members' bed rooms. From a verandah,

opening on to the third floor, one gets a very-

Though money has been somewhat tight of late, business on the whole is good. The bountiful rice-harvest, too, has greatly added to general prosperity. Cattle continue to arrive in a very healthy condition from Kwangtung and Kwangsi pastures, and Canton industries for the greater part are in a flourishing con. dition. Cracker-factories are particularly busy preparing for the Chinese New Year, and so, indeed, are the various confectioners. The New Year is still too far distant, though, for general preparations. A notable illustration of Chinese thrift has just come to light: the wives of a very wealthy resident at Canton-a family just rolling in money, so to speak-being omployed daily making large quantities of mooncakes, which are hawked on the streets and sold at cut-throat prices. The sale of sweet-smelling jasmine from the same gentleman's front garden, also, is said not only to pay the gardeners' wages, but yield a considerable income. Forecast: -moderate to fresh N. winds; fine.

HONGKONG-UNPLEASANTRIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

kong Press to the contrary, Hongkong is still a | Rifles, invitations to attend had also been issued long way from being a "garden of roses." What to the members of that Corps, but unfortunwith sleepless nights caused by rowdies on the lately the weather was miserable and only one lower levels, and by dogs on the hill-side, and Rifle appeared. Captain Pierce stated that what with unpleasant odours prevailing every- it was proposed new to compress the where, you have a lot of work to do still before work of the Engineers into the space "clapping your own hands" can be considered three months instead of allowing it to justifiable. Soutrong are the unpleasant odours extend over a year. During that shortened encountered in the Caine Road district, for instance, that nothing short of Kipling's City of Dreadful Night could describe them. To go farther into the matter of noises, making investigations as to cause, one readily comes to the conclusion that Hongkong is suffering considerably from the dog-pest. The canine specimens, moreover, are such an absolutely useless set that they are no good for remedying the rat-post so much talked about. Why Captain Pierce remarked that there seemed to be keep them? In a certain Far Eastern town I once resided in, the dog-post became so intoler- trades should attach themselves to the Engineersable that indignant residents, after sleepless But that idea was atterly wrong, and nights listening to dismal howling of innumera- strongly urged ex-Rifles to join his Corps. He ble curs, clamoured for measures to be taken for also stated that instead of going across to Pulo their extermination, with the result that the Brani for an hour occasionally to inspect the town corporation appointed dog-shooters, men | working of the electric machines, it had been employed going round town with a gun and decided to spend three hours at a time on the shooting all "wonks" at large. Needless to work. In that period the men would learn say, in a very short time the town was a much | more than they would learn in half a dozon more pleasant place to live in. Hougkong visits of an hour's duration each. Everything would not go far wrong in adopting a similar is to be done to increase the interest in the course. Talking of city smells, it may be Corps and keep the members in sympathy with noted that there is a veritable pest-hole-one their work. The three months drill will be of those stagment pools which breed completed in three periods of a month each, and anything from malaria to typhoid-between | there will be a monthly shooting handicap. Happy Valley and Causaway Bay, just off the connecting theroughfare, Caroline Road. Though, no doubt, the market-gardener upon whose ground this "beautiful pond" stunds might object, it is to be sincorely hoped that such a danger to the colony's health be filled in before bot weather sets in. Perhaps Mr. Brown, the Government Analyst, will tell the Sanitary Board what are the ingredients of the vary strong fluid therein. With my deepest sympathy, as a fellow in distress .- Yours sincerely,

MARCUS M.

ELECTRIC TRAMS.

In view of the coming tramway service for Hougkong, now under rapid progress, thu doings in mutters electrical in Rangoon are perhaps of special interest. There, says a Rangoon exchange, the tenderers for the franchise for the electric trumway for that city have been forced to agree to pay a minimum trainway track rent of Rs. 3,000 per mile of double, and Rs. 2,000 per mile of single track per annum, and the same journal, with all -respect to the Commissioners, regards this as absurd and sach as will prove un u fair drain upon the receipts of electric tramways in Rangoon. With the ten miles of double track and three miles of single track now contemplated, this would amount to Rts. 36,000 per annum at the minimum figures. In Calcutta, where there is a greater track mileage, much greater scope for. expansion, and a traffic far superior to any that can ever be hoped for in Rangoon, the total track rent is Rs. 30,000 per annum. The electrie tramway in Colombo pays 12s, 800 per annum per mile of track up to eight miles and above that Rs. 500 per mile. The electric tramway now under construction in Singapore will pay five dellars (Mex.) per cent. per annum of the net profits as total track rent. Doubtless the Rangoon Municipality congratulates itself that it will receive so much at the expense of the rainway and may not be brought to look at the matter in any other light even when it finds later that the tramway is unable to maintain a satisfactory service due to abnormal expenses and vexatious restrictions.

MORGAN SHORN OF HIS POWER.

. A New York despatch of the 19th ult. says : John D. Rockefeller's heavy hand fell upon the throat of J. Pierpont Morgan to-day and shook loose from the grip of the master manipulator of steel stocks more than \$12,000,000 of bond conversion profits. The contract with J. P. Morgan & Company to convert \$250,000,000 of preferred stock into bonds was cancelled. This action marks the passing of Morgan. He is eliminated as a ruling power in the steel company and his dominance in Wall Street is over. He must hereafter report to Rockefeller. He syndicate swept into its coffers by buying steel stock at starving prices and turning each certificate into bond, reaping an average profit of \$1500 or about \$25,000,000. That A. W. Thompson, president of the Republic Iron and Steel Company, is scheduled to become the president of the United States Corporation was the word received from Youngstown, O. The absorption of the Republic company by the steel trust is believed to be Rockefeller's plan-Without warning or advortisement the oil king became also the steel king of the country. His first official act was to cut off at once further action by the bond conversion syndicate headed by Morgan, which has been charging the steel corporation 4 per cent. on all such conversions. while at the same time making enormous profits on every transaction. It was this act of Rockefeller that deprived Morgan of \$12,000,000.

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SINGAPORE VOLUNTEER ENGINEERS.

A decidedly interesting departure from the humdrum style of volunteering was outlined by 1 Capt. B. Pierce at a meeting of the Singapore Hongkong, 29th December. | Royal Engineers (Volunteers) on the 19th inst. Sin,-In spite of all appearing in the Hong- In view of the probable disbanding of the period, all the varied operations of the Corps will be carried out. The work will be done while the men are flushed with interest in their duties and it is expected that as a result there fragment of what it should be, and the hope is voyage to the Orient. expressed that those who formerly belonged to the Rifles will transfer to the Engineera. a general belief that only those acquainted with

STOCK IN THE NEW TERRITORY.

It has often been observed by visitors to the New Territory that the verdant-looking hillsides which meet the eye at every turn are barren of both stock and cultivated growth. Why not stock the place with sheep? It is hardly possible that Southdowns or Cheviots would stand the climate, but Australian sheep should be able to do so, accustomed as they are to arid plains and terrential rainfalls. The Government's acknowledged policy is to develop the country. Surely the raising of stock would be a good thing to start experimenting upon? In the same way, suggestions have been made for the introduction of rabbits into the New Territory. The objection is always made that snakes destroy them, but it is also said that the snakes are two-legged. However that may be a trial in the way of introducing rabbits into the territory would not be far amiss. The rodents could not do any damage to the young crops in the valleys unless they developed the cipability of swimming among the flooded

PRINCE BISMARCK'S CHIVALRY.

The following story was told recently at a public gathering in Germany :- Many years ago Germany was deeply insulted by a nation otherwise distinguished for chivalry. Count marck decided that he could not recommend the Emperor to appeal to the sword, and that arbitration must be resorted to, for, he said " à vaincre sans péril, on triomphe sans gloire."

DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF H.K. AND S. CHINA.

28TH REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING. At the 28th regular annual meeting of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South.

year 1904 were made :-

Sayer; District Grand Secretary, Wor. Bro. Stanton; District Grand Superintendent of Works, Wor. Bro. G. G. Barnett; District Grand Director of Ceremonies Wor. Bro. C. W. Longuet; District Grand Assistant Director of monies, Wor. Ero. E. W. Hinds; District Grand Sword Bearer, Wor. Bro. F. H. Siemssen; District Grand Standard Bearers, Wor. Bros. J. W. L. Oliver and H. Bathurst; District Grand Organist, Bro. G. Grimble; District Grand Pursuivant, Wor. Bro. W. H. Woolley; District Grand Assistant Pursuivant, Wor. Bro. C. H. Grace; District Grand Stewards, Bros. H. Sykes, C. A. D. Melbournes J. N. Varcoe, H. Croskey, H. Dulloch, and R. Thomas; District Grand Tyler, Bro. J.

SHIPPING NOTES.

WHATHER OUTSIDE:

The north-east monsoon continues; arrivals from the west report leavy weather; arrivals from the north fine weather.

A MONTHLY CHARTER. The Norwegian s.s. Undine, 1,017 tons, has been chartered for three months at \$5,500 per

BRITISH STEAMER ASHORE.

The Mainichi publishes a Hakodate despatch to the effect that a British steamer, laden with sulphur from Kushiro, ran ashore near Muroran on Monday night, December 14th.

THE "ALEXANDER III." The Russian battleship Alexander III., which was expected to arrive in the Far East in the course of this month, has not yet left Russiawill be a considerable accession to the ranks of It is now reported that, owing to certain defects the Engineers. At present the corps is a more | in the ship, she is not fit to undertake a long

NEW BRITISH SHIPS. The Admiralty bave placed with Palmer's Shipbuilding Company, Jarrow, orders for three new torpedo-boat destroyers. The vessels will be similar to the six being built by Palmer's any rate a negative test, which will take us a Company except that the engines will have the company's patent system of forced lubrication, which was adopted in H.M. Syren with excellent results.

The Admiralty have also directed three new armoured cruisers of the first class to paper with laughter and contempt, while be built for the Royal Navy by contract, to bear the names of Achitles. Cochrane, Natal. They have been Mr. P. Watts, Director of Naval Construction, and will have a length of 480ft,, and a displacement of 13,550 tons. The engines will show a capacity (23,50 0 h.p., to give a speed of 22.33 knots. The Achilles will be built at Newcastle, by Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth and Co.; the Cochrane at Govan (N.B.), by the Fairfield Shipbuilding Company; and the Natal at Barrow-in-Furness, by Messrs. Vickers, Son, and Maxim. Each ship is to mount six 9,2 in., and ten 6 in. breech-loading guns, and twenty-eight light quickfirers. Four new 25-knot scouts are also to be built for the Royal Navy, and are to be named the Attentive, Foresight, Patrol, and Skirmisher. They will each be equipped with ten 12-pounder quickfiring guns. The Attentive will be built at Newcastle, the Foresight at Govan, the Patrol at Birkenhead, and the Skirmisher at Barrow-in-Furness.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS. The N.Y.K. steamer Kinshiu Maru (Bombay Line) left Kobe via Moji on the 28th inst., and is expected here on the 3rd prox.

The N.G.I. steamer Ischia left Singapore for this port yesterday, and may be expected here on the 5th prox.

The Boston Steamship Co.'s steamer Shawmut left Victoria for Yokohama, Kobe, Hongkong, and Manila on the 28th inst., and may be expected here on the 26th prox.

The Boston Steamship Co.'s steamer Tremont left Kobe for Yokohama on the 28th inst.

BRUTAL CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

gross cruelty to animals shipped from Chefoo to Caprivi, who was at that time head of the Manila via Hongkong, and we certainly think Ministry of the Imperial Navy, was asked to it is one which the Government here and the express an opinion as to Germany's chances in local S.P.C.A. too should, take up. Our the event of war, and said, "We should have a informant is Mr. J. Clifford Wilkinson, who is gallant opponent, who, however, owing to in- passing through Hongkong and who gives usferior war material, would not be able to offer a permission to use his name as authority for serious resistance." Theroupon Prince Bis. the statements. It appears that 80 mules, dostined for the Manila Government, were brought down from Chefoo to Hongkong and here transhipped. On the 18th inst. they left Hongkong on the s. . Kaifong bound for their destination. Mr. Wilkinson informs us that the mules were embarked " higgledypiggledy," and without an attentant to look after them. The Koifong encountered exceptionally had weather on the voyage, the sens running exceedingly high and dashing over the vessel. The food for the mules was soon saturated with salt water, while the poor doubtless Vora. The Dress department tells us China, held at Freemasons' Hall, Zetland beasts themselves were unable to keep their how the modern elegante is created." "We Street, Victoria, Hongkoug, last e ening, the footing on the slippory decks and slid all over talk, ah yes! an infinity about clothes." Ah 29th December, 1903, the following appoint- the place; those below were in still worse yes! but very few can talk in that writer's style. ments for the District Grand Lodge during the condition from lack of air. Mules are excep- Stylishness is the great "line" in the dress tionally hardy animals, but the fearful department. Children have "garbing," not Deputy District Grand Master, Wor, Bro. treatment they received may be gathered from frocks, a dress is a "dream," and a mixture of E. C. Ray; District Senior Grand Warden, the fact that on arrival at Manila 18 of the satin and lace is "allied loveliness." "The Wov. Bro. Thomas Fred Hough; District 80 were already dead, and others must have melting of satin into" something is "a delight-Junior Grand Warden, Wor. Bro. Augustus, succumbed to exhaustion after landing. No ful suggestion" still further enhanced by a may be called on to restore the millions his Shelton Hooper; District Grand Chaplain, blame whatever, Mr. Wilkinson declares, Wor. Bro. G. P. Lammert; District Grand attaches to Capt. Penneinther or any other Treasurer, Wor. Bro. G. Piercy (Jr); officer on the Kaifong, who were most humane-District Grand Regis'rar, Wor. Bro. F. D. and did all they could for the unfortunate outline, the fur making the silhouette of the Goddard; District Grand President of the mules: the vessel indeed was hove to for 24 Board of General Purposes, Wor. Bro. G. J. B. hours to lessen their sufferings, causing her to take 4 days on the voyage. It is obvious that interest men. A. O'D. Goardin; District Senior Grand the fault had nothing to do with the company. Deacon, Wor. Bro. C. J. Lafrentz; District But the questions that want unswering are: (1) Junior Grand Deacon, Wor. Bro. E. A. Who is responsible for the beasts being entirely unattended and improperly put on board ? (2) What authority in Hongkong looks after beasts shipped or transhipped at this port? Can the answers to these questions be supplied?

The Admiralty do not appear to have a very notification with respect to this port which has been issued to commanding officers of all vessels in the instructional destroyer flotillas. "Skippers" are also advised to fight shy of the Downs, except in a westerly gale, Sheerness of the British coast that are officially considered suitable to destroyers in all states of to send in ours. Our card will say in all the weather.

"A MIRROR FOR FOOLS."

The daily newspaper for women called the Daily Mirror has moved the Saturday Review to deal with it in an article which reminds one of some of the criticisms of the Saturday's old days :-

We have been trying (says the Saturday Review) to fathom the motives that led to the latest output of the famous factory in Carmelite Street. . The old trade-mark is there conspicuous enough; though no stamp of origin was needed. It is the same unmistakable pattern, with the smartness worn off. It was a strong order to inflict a female daily on the world as well as a Daily Mail. and we felt that Mr. Harmsworth must have some great public object in view. Plainly the Mirror' was a mission. We could find no hint of an intelligible motive in the signed advertisement on page 3. (We are not LAHMEYER saying anything offensive: "advertizement" is the word used in the old books, and they were literature, for the preface.)

But reflection cast by the paper itself has convinced us that the promoter had a very praiseworthy object. He wanted to help to a solution of an old and vexed question; should women have the suffrage? So he provides at considerable way. If this paper is a success, it will finally prove that women are hopelessly and irremediably unfit to be trusted with a vote. We cannot enfranchise a great host of fools.

If, on the other hand, women ignore this will not prove them capable of the suffrage, for the modicum of intelligence required for such an effort of discrimination is too small warrantany such deduction, at least it will show that they are not obviously unfit. It is to hoped no member of Parliament will inconsiderate as to interrupt this interest experiment by introducing a Woman's Suffrage in the fray. Nothing like it had been heard of Bill next session, unless, of course, the experiment should achieve its own happy dispatch before the opening; when the supporters of woman's franchise should come to Parliament in extremely good spirits. They will have a new and very cogent argument. The proportionate ingredients of the paper

might be arranged thus : Pictures, in effect

simply drapers, milliners and ladies' tailors'

society (below-stairs) gossip, scraps, scraps, scraps, a novelette, and one piece of serious news. That is supposed to be the daily food an intelligent Englishwoman would naturally prefer to a real newspaper that told her something about the world and the forces that are moving it. This is the coping stone of the bigher education for women. And the promoter means this for 'men' too! So it is set forth. Men have their faults, but we must say for them that we have never known a man, however dressy, who would not be very angry if his morning paper, when he took it up, showed him a picture of a tailor's model. As we said the promoter of this paper may know more about women than we, but he really must not pretend to understand a man. For it is said with great solemnity, not at all in jest, that the Mirror is designed for men. But if the list of departments seems weak, perhaps the equality compensates. "Departments," by the way, is their word, not ours: it is apt, it sounds, A case has been brought to our notice of as Mr. Chamberlain, said of Mr. Asquith's "well-tried policy," like a shopkeeper's advertisement. The pictures are ordinary milliners' models except that in two of them the lady seems to be having a shower bath, which seems odd, as she is in her clothes. In one case, "the Artistic Tea-gown," some fish seem to have come down with the shower : that does happen sometimes. Turning to the "beauty and toilet department," we learn that before going out a woman should "lave her face with het rose-water." Would it be too rulgar for the lady to 'wash' her face? "The Daily Round for the Complexion" tells us that a woman-doctor (is it the Mirror's family practitioner?) lays it down that "all efforts to be beautiful are bound in time to improve the general health and to increase the physical powers." Especially, we suppose, painting the face, pinching the feet, hopping on high beels, and tight-lacing. That lady-doctor's name is frou-frou of chiffon frills supporting the dertelle, while to the "embroidering of ribbon," &c., is " granted the privilege of hinting at an completed creation." And that's the sort of thing Mr. Harmsworth thinks would naturally

We owe an apology to our readers for transferring such drivel to these pages, but it was necessary to show from the first number of the paper what it was meant to be. If this does hit women's taste in literature, obviously they are inferior animals to men: obviously it would be absuid to put before them any of the big things of the world. But we refuse to believe that Even their cheapest quality is recommended educated women will allow this charge to be established against them. The notion of a feminine newspaper is even more abject than of hostilities it would be an important station for stories for girls. A woman brought up on the torpedo craft. "Not safe in winter" is the conventional story for girls and then on the Daily Mirror must plainly be relegated to a harem. We should have to turn Tark in selfdefence. None the less we propose to enter for a Mirror competition. A thousand founds is offered for "the best suggestion for the and Harwich are the only two ports on this part | improvement of the journal." A postcard is cheaper than any encyclopedia, so we can afford sincerity : Drop it.

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There are several allegedly correct versions as to the origin of the affir. It seems that during the annual " Chingay " procession, says our contemporary, some friction arose between the Teochew and Macao claus, and it was feared that trouble was brewing among them. It was at first thought that a pitched battle was tobe fought between the Teochews and Macaosi We understand that the claus eventually decided that a champion should be picked from each side, and that the two thus selected should be pitted against each other. It is also stated that thousands of hand bills and placards were circulated all over Chinatown to the effect that the Tai Jin (Chinese Protector) had given permission for the fight to take place on the Esplanade. Whether the clans would abide by the result of the fight, or would attack each other, was not known. The police authorities were soon on the qui-vive, and took precautions accordingly. An armed body of men was quartered in the Marine Station just behind the Sapreme Court in case of hostilities breaking out. The police say that if the coolies had decided to riot or fight, they could not have chosen a better place than the Esplanade, as the police could then have formed a corden round them; but it is to be questioned whether the police would have been able to check a rush from the huge crowd assem bled on the Plain. As it turned out, however, the crowd was quite orderly, and the police got them to "move on" without any disturbance. Only one arrest was made, and the delinquent in that case was let off with a fine of S: when charged before Mr. Cavendish.



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makes the following statement:-Mr. Manbichi Takenouchi and I, both of the Kanegafuchi Cotton Mili, and Mr. Kekichi Tsuji, of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, left Newchwang for the interior of Manchuria at the beginning of September for the purpose of ascertaining what kind of cotton yaras the Chinese would take and what manuer of transactions they would prefer. War rumours were in the nir, and it was considered to be dangerous to venture far inland. We therefore visited Lisoyang, Monkden, Tichling, etc., and their outlying districts.

The arrest took place at Haiping on the morning of the 23rd September. We were then waiting for a train in order to go to Kaiping. tracks, when some Russian soldiers suddenly beyond description. Without bribes, they arrested him, on suspicion of his having entered | would do nothing for us. Some of them would FLATS in Moneron Terrace, facing the I were also arrested on account of our being in in had Chinese if there was any money in them. his company. We were then brought before If we answered in the affirmative, they would We beg to direct all inquiries to the commander of the Russian garrison, who press us for a tip. Often enough they took asked as the purpose and destination of our money to buy us food and then failed to do so. .journey and searched our clothes and baggage. Finally it was announced that examination was in the shape of bribes to the Russian soldiers, not completed, and a little past midnight we to say nothing of a hundred other losses. were put on board a train in custody of several soldiers. For fifteen hours we were left without

We were told that our destination was Tashihehiac, but the train was running north. ward, instead of to the south. There was a Japanese in the carriage, and not suspecting that we were in enstedy, he asked us our destination. I was impatient to let him know that we were in the clutches of the Russian military authorities, and was going to answer when our guards became angry, struck the Japanese traveller, and finally forced him out of the carriage.

Under such conditions it was vain to hope for communication with our countrymen, even if we were lucky enough to meet one of them-So I bribed the Russian soldiers and boug ht beer for them, with the result that their manner greatly softened and they began to talk with us. At a station called Kuanchengtsze, I descried a Japanese on the platform, and sauntered out from the carriage. As a Russian soldier of course followed me, I gave him some money. But as it was out of the question to address the Japanese openly, I draw him to a cig rrotte stall, and while buying cigarettes, asked him to inform the Mitsui Busson Kaisha at Newchwang of our arrest.

The train stopped at Harbin on the 25th, at 2 p.m., when I was able to send a Japanese for Mr. Kawai, of the Mitsui Bussan office at Dalny, who was then staying at Harbin. He came to the station, saw us, talked to the Russian soldiers, and said to us: Boat case! I will do something."

We were then conveyed to the Russiau barracks at Harbin, where we were imprisoned for about 24 hours without any court proceedings. On the 26th, at 2 p.m., we were again put in a train bound for Port Arthur. A Russian officer and four soldiers guarded us.

Meanwhile the Mitsui Bussan's office at Dalny, receiving a telegram from Mr. Kawa i. was deeply anxious about our fate, and sent one of its officials, Mr. Fujioka, to the station, where there is a junction, the name of which I have forgotten. Mr. Fujioka was awaiting us, and on our arrival there he came into our train. We saw each other, but were not able to converse. He remained with us until we arrived at Port Arthur on the 28th, at 4 p.m., when we were conveyed in a carriage to the General Staff Office. En route, however, Mr. Fujioka, lost track of us, having been unable to keep near for fear that the Russians should enspect his purpose.

We were kept at the Staff Office for three or four hours, but the Russians did not examine us. By and bys, we were cast separately into the Russian prison, where we remained for the subsequent 30 days without trial.

There is a Japanese firm called the Yoshida Shosen at Port Arthur. It is purveyor to the Russian army and has business connections with the Mitsui Bussan. Mr. Fujioka, troubled at losing track of us, was consulting with the people of the firm, when a Russian soldier appeared and asked if they could prepare Japanese food for three persons. The Japanese rightly conjectured that the food was for us, and consented to supply it. This arrangement embled them to learn our fate and ourselves to know that the Yoshida firm was still unmolested at Port Arthur, and that the world wes still at peace. What we apprehended most was war, in the event of which we should have been butchered. On the 27th October, we were tried for the first time by the court martial, Mr. Hino. representative of the Japanese at Port Arthur. interpreting. The chief procurator and the chief of a police station, who was a major, took down the description of the route we had travelled, the object of the journey, etc., and made us sign affidavits. The next day, a soldier tossed us our baggage and announced that we might go. We were all very weak, and therefore ledged a night at the Yeshida firm, and returned to Newchwang by the Nantou Maru We spent 31 days in the prison, hesides 5 days in travelling in Russian costody.

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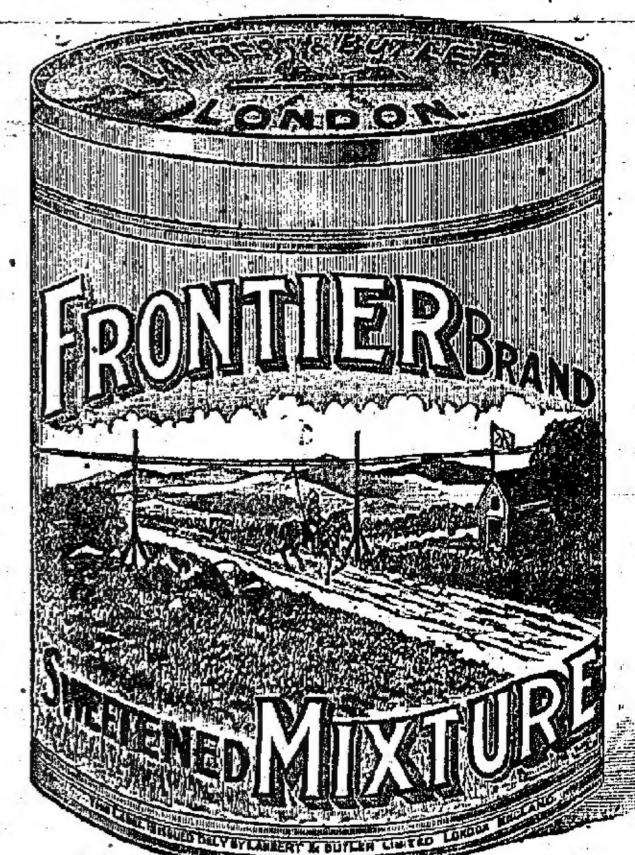
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Dec. 28, BABELSE ERG, German steamer, 1,300, Ahrens, Singapore 17th Dec. and Hoihow 27th. General -E. A. TRADING Co. Dec. 28, CARL DIEDERICHSEN, German str., 774, H. Schlaikier, Haiphong 24th Dec, General. JEBSEN & Co.

Dec. 28, JOHANNE, German str., 952, Ipland, Pakhoi 26th Dec., Rice. - JEBSEN & Co. Dec. 29, Kowloon, German etr. 1,447, Stehr. Chinking and Wuhn 24th Dec., General. -Stemssen & Co. Dec. 28, Typkus, British str., 4,799, M. H. F.

Jackson, United Kingdom via Singapore 14th Nov., General.-Buttenfield Dec. 28, WAIBHING, British str., 1,170. M.

Courtney, Wuhu 24th Dec., General .-JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Dec. 29, HANSA, German str., 1,207, F. Weidlich, Port Louis and Mauritius 6th Dec., Sugar,--CHINESE.

Dec. 29, PROGRESS, German steamer, 687, F. Bremer, Quinhon 26th Dec, General,-SIEMBSEN & CO. Dec. 29. ROHILLA MARU, Japanese str., 2,399, E. Bent, Mavila 27th Dec., General,-TOYO KIBEN KAISHA.

Dec. 29, SHINGU MARU, Japanese str., 3,002, Nagata Kakutaro, Kutchinotzu 24th Dec., Coal.-ORDER. Dec. 29, ZAFIRO, British str., 1,611, R. Rodgers, Manila 26th December, General. -- SHEWAN

TOMES & Co. CHEARANCES AT THE HARPOUR MASTER'S OFFICE. 28th December.

Anping, Chinese str., for Shanghai. Kansu, British str., for Shanghai. Marie Rickmers, German str., for Hoihow.

DEPARTURES, 28th December. CLAVERBURN, British str., for Shanghai. 29th December.

Avoua, British str., for Amoy, BENLEDI, British str., for Nagaraki. BORNED, Garman str., for Saudakan, DALJIN MARU, Japanese str., for Tamsui. HAILOONG, British tr., for Swatow. HIKOBAN MARU, Japaness str., for Moji. HIROSHIMA MARU, Japanese str., for Bombay. Homao, French str., for Haiphong. HOLSTEIN, German str., for Haiphong. HUPEH, British str., for Canton. KAGA MARU, Japanese str., for Sentile. KWANGTAH, Chinese str., for Canton. Kwerlin, British str., for Shanghai. MATHILDE, German Str., for Swatow. MAZAGON, British str., for Shanghai. NURNBERG, German str , for Hamburg. PROGRESS, Gorman str., for Swatew. Pyrkhus, British str., for Shanghai. SALAZIE, French str., for Europe. SHANSI, British str., for Canton. Szechuek, British str., for Shanghai. TAKSANG, British str., for Canton. TINGSANO, British str., for Shanghai. TJILATJAP, Dutch str., for Macassar. TSINTAU, German str., for Bangkok, UNDINE, Norwegian str., for Kabe. VESTAL, British sloop, for Formesa. Wosano, British etr., for Shanghai. YANEYAMA MARU, Japaneso str., for Kobe.

ATSSELS IN DOCK. 20th December.

ABERDEEN DOCKS .- .. KINTOON DOCKH .- H.I.G.M.S. Moome, Hankow, U.S.A.T. Sacramento, H.M.S. Glory, Arques, Hongkong, Wurzburg, Sullberg, Amigo, Maria Rickmers, H.M.S. Alboin. Cosmorolitan Dock .- Salamanca, Paul

VESSELS PASSED ANJER. Dec. 4. Amr. 4-m. bqc , Roanoke, Ausburg, Nov. 2, from Hongkong for Baltimore. Dec. 4, Jar. 4.m. bqe., Atlus, Kay, from Manila for New York. Dec. 5, British buo., Forthbank, Young, from

Dec. 5, Italian boo., Nonna Anzelo, Massa, July 29, from Rotterdam for Batavia. Dec. 7, Dutch str., Ardjoens, P. de Boer, from Rotterdam for Batavià. Dec. 8 British str., Onipenta, Thomsen, from London for Batavia.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW. THE Company's Steamship

"HAICHING," Captain Passmore, will be despatched for the above ports TO.DAY, the 30th inst., at 11 A.M. For Freight, or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1903. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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YOKOHAMA. HE Company's Steamship "POLYNESIEN," Captain Le Coispellier, will be despatched for

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

HE Steamship

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Hongkong, 30th June, 1903.

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Hongkong 8th September, 1903.

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1903.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG-SUBJECT TO ALTERATION. SAILING DATES. DESTINATIONS. BTEAMERS. (WEDNESDAY, 30th Dec., at Noon.

S. J. G. Parsons SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA) WEDNESDAY, 30th Dec., THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNS. YAWATA MARU at 4 P.M. VILLE and BRISBANE W. Hunter..... * 194 mil 19 1 12 5 . BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and WEDNESDAY, 6th Jan., KINSHIU MARU COLOMBO F. L. Pyne..... SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, ADE-LAIDE, VIA MANILA, THURSDAY (FRIDAY, NIEKO MARU ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRIS. E. W. Haswell

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SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

	Steamer,	. 1	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.	
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WEDNESDAY 6th January * KIAUTSCHOU 20th January WEDNESDAY 3rd February SACHSEN ... 17th February WEDNESDAY WEDNESDAY 2nd March SEYDLITZ 16th March PREUSSEN 30th March WEDNESDAY ROON WEDNESDAY 13th April 27th April PRINZ HEINRICH * Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

N WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of JANUARY, 1903, at Noon, the Steamship "KIAUTSCHOU," of the HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Captain Behrens, with MAILS, PASSENGERE, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT North and GENOA.

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Hougkeng, 24th December, 1303 FOR CHEMULPO, DALNY AND FOR YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND PORT ARTHUR.

TSINGTAU. HE H.A.L. Steamship "BADENIA, Captain Rorden, will be despatched for the

Hongkong, 25th December, 1903.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office,

For Freight, apply to

"SULLBERG,"

THE Steamship

above ports on SATURDAY, the 2nd January, Captain Meyer, will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 1st January, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office. Fongkong, 25th December, 1903.

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*	MARSEILLES	LONDON and)	"YANGTSZE"	On 19th January.
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AGENTS. [10-12 Hongkong, 30th December, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION LIMITED.

POH	STEAMERS	On 30th December.
PORT DARWIN, THU		On 30th December.
SYDNEY and MELBOU.	RNE + "HUNAN"	On 31st December.
SHANGHAL	* "WUCHANG"	On 4th January.
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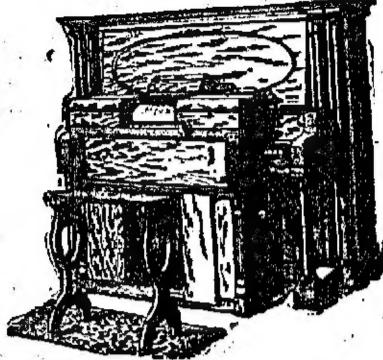
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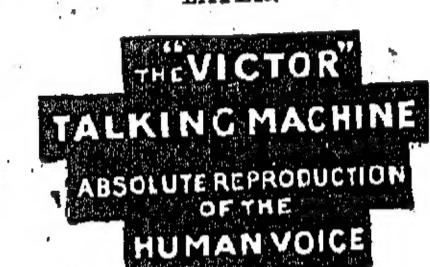
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TO-DAY.	The P.M. ste	eamer China left Son Francisco

Sale, Chinese Curios, Sales Rooms, Messrs, for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 12th inst. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m. Performance, Theatre Royal, City Hall, 9 p m.

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VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL. 'The steamer Gregory Apear, from Calcutts, left Singapore for this port on 22nd inst., p.m. The Indo-China steamer Laisang left Calcutta for this port, via the Straits, on the 24th inst., and may be expected here on the 10th prox.

THE FRENCH MAIL. The M.M. steamer Polynesica left Saigon on the 27th inst., at 7 a.m., for this port.

THE ENGLISH MAIL. The P. & O. steamer Bengal left Singapore for this port on the 27th inst., at noon, and due kere on the 2nd prox., at 8 a.m. THE GERMAN MAIL,

The Imperial German mail steamer Kian-Ischou left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 27th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 5th prox. . The Imperial German mail steamer Sachsen left Colombo on the 27th inst., p.m., and may be

expected here on the 8th prox. THE AMERICAN MAILS. The T.K.K. steamer Hongkong Maru left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 3rd inst.

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MERCHANT STRAMERS.

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for this port on the 24th inst., at 10.a.m.

The N.Y.K. steamer Awa Maru (European

the 26th inst., and is due here on the 1st prox.

left Singapore for this port on the 25th inst

p.m., and may be expected here on the 1st prox.

Line) left Kobe via Moji on the 28th inst., and

The N.Y.K. steamer Kinshin Mara (Bombay

The N.G.I. steamer Ischia left Singapore for

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s steamer Lyra

The C.N. steamer Taiyuan, from Australian

. The Boston Steamship Co.'a steamer Wyneric

left Victoria for Yokohama and the usual ports

The C.P.R. steamer Athenian left Vancouver

The C.C. steamer Lothian left Portland on

The P. & A. steamer Indravelli left Portland

The Boston Steamship Co.'s steamer Shawmut

left Victoria for Yokohama, Kobe, Hongkong

and Manila on the 28th inst., and may be expected

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

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ARRIVALS AT HOME.

Dec. 11th-Brisgavia, Sambia, 15th-Aus-

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PASSENGERS.

Per Zafiro, from Manila, Messre. Gay Maquo,

Per Robitla Maru, from Manila, Mr. and Mrs.

J. Eaton, Mrs. and Miss Brown, Dr. and Mrs.

Crunden and child, Mr and Mrs L. S. Smith,

Mrs. H. Duyea, Miss Duncan, Messrs, J. J.

Fisher, C. E. Pierce, D.L. Strobl, H. E. Deputy,

H. H. Stratton, C. C. Gudger, and J. C.

Per Daijin Maru, for Tamsui, Mr. H. Totjo.

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Miss Francisca Mortera, Mr. and Mrs. S.

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Edwards, Mastaro Narita, S. Yamasaki, M.

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on the 14th inst., p.m., for Hougkong, via the

ports, ria Manila, left Sydney on the 5th inst.,

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"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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S.S. "BENLEDI,"

FROM LEITH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

on the 18th inst., via Japan ports, and may be ONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby inform-I that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the tiedowns of the Hongkong and Kowjaon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld., whence, and/or ir to the wharves delivery may be

No Chains will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 1st January will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 7th January, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st inst., at 11 A.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Hongkong, 28th December, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND STRAITS. FIHE Steamship Horace Gay, L. Santos, Orient Clarke, and

> "GLENLOCHY, baving arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd prox. will be Per Rosetta Maru, for Manila, Lieut.-Comdr. subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected. All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage

obtained from the Godown Company within N. De Risbouchinsky, Angel Calvo, C. G. ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognised. McGREGOR BROS. & GOW. Hongkong, 26th December, 1963.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

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any case w' stever. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ton days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they canno be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns,

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 27th December, 1903.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

WIIIE Steamship

"BAYERN, OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and, Gedown company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless

notice to the contrary be given before 11 A.M. To-DAY, 25th inst. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining

undelivered after the 31st December, will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Thursday, the 31st December, at

9.30 A.M. All Claims for damage must be sent in before the 5th January, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MELCHERS & CO., Hongkong, 25th December, 1903.

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "CHARLES TIBERGHIEN," FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the waarves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st January will be subject All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-

sented to the Undersigned on or before the oth January, or they will not be recognised. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents. Hongkong, 25th December, 1303.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

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ONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

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has been given prior to steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 4th prox. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th prox. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 11th prox., or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, 28th December, 1903.

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